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MDIC Case No. 26 Control No. 462207 22 April 1957

SUBJECT

Sino-Soviet Bloc Supply and Use of Ion Exchange Resins

REQUESTING AGENCY AND DATE

Commerce, 16 April 1957

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF INFORMATION

20 May 1957

PROPOSED USE

Possible placement of certain types of ion exchange resins on U.S. export security lists.

REFERENCES

Memorandum to Chairman of EDIC from Commerce member, of 16 April 1957.

BACKGROUND

In a report on ion exchange resins, the BFC Agricultural and Chemical Products Division had indicated that some of these resins, particularly the strong basic anion exchangers, are of significant strategic importance, being used in water conditioning and hydrometallurgy, including isolation of rare earth metals.

ACTION REQUESTED

It has been requested that EDIC provide intelligence concerning the supply and use of these items in Communist China and in the European Soviet Bloc.

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ASSIGNMENT OF PRODUCTION RESPONSIBILITY

CIA is assigned responsibility for this project.

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